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Applicant

: Manfred Engelhardt

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Title

: Integrated Circuit Configuration using

Spacers as a Diffusion Barrier and Method of

Producing such an Integrated Circuit

Configuration

Docket No.

: GR 98 P 2661

Examiner

: Alexander O. Williams

Group Art Unit: 2826

Customer No. : 24131

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office action dated July 16, 2003, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.